

# **Gresham Butte Neighborhood Association Agenda**

**November 8, 2010**

**7-9 pm**

The meeting room is the Oregon Trail Conference Room.

16 people in attendance

President Mads Ledet called the meeting to order.

## **Public Input**

Chuck Becker brought up that Fairway Heights did not have a monument for their neighborhood and wanted to know how to go about getting one. The builder has gone out of business and it was suggested that the neighborhood try and collect money and have one put in.

**Obtained quorum.**

## **Reports:**

Secretary: Minutes for October were approved

## **Treasurer:**

The balance in the GBNA account is \$207.45.

## **Land use chair:**

No new news

## **Next meeting:**

December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting we will be planning for 2011 year.

### **Presentations:**

Tony Palermini, chair of the Green Ribbon Task Force on Parks, was back to answer questions and to gain support from the group. Tony gave the group an update on the Green Ribbon Committee and the decision not to ask for a utility tax but to ask that \$50,000 be added for a Recreation Program Park in Gresham.

**Cynthia Lassen** asked if a foundation had been considered to which Tony responded with a yes and at some point that it would be very beneficial.

**Kelly Kalk** wanted to know about programs for seniors and Tony explained that if and when we have a Park and Recreation District that that would be included at that time.

**Dody Gannett** told Tony that she thought that having a Community Center in Gresham was important.

**Kelly Kalk** wanted to know where the \$50,000 would come from and was told that the City Manager would make that decision.

**Shirley Craddick** wanted to make sure that the group understood that the money in the Parks budget at this point is very inadequate and that 90% of the general funds goes to fire and safety.

**Mike McCormick** stated that with a Public Safety Tax that the 2012 election was going to be over loaded with tax levies. Tony agreed with Mike.

**Bruce Hoyt** made a motion to write a letter supporting Tony's request for \$50,000 for Recreation Programs.

It was then modified to state that money (50,000) is in addition to the existing Parks budget specifically for Recreation.

**Deputy District Attorney Brenda Allen** came to inform the HOA about her job as DA. The Neighborhood DA program was started in 1990 to handle low-level offences and to help to make issues in neighborhoods better. The DA's office has a program where neighbors can keep an eye out on what is going on, on their street

and if problems are suspected a log can be kept by the homeowner and then turned over to the DA to handle. Brenda said that she would check into the problems with the homeless at main City Park to see what else might be done. There is also a 4-city peer court for juveniles making wrong choices and come here voluntarily to participate in coming up with solutions to their problems. In 2008 - 2009 32 kids had gone through the program and through September 42 kids and benefited from the program.

Meeting ended 8:42